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CONSERVATION MEASURES TO INCREASE CROPS, FORESTS

RECLAMATION IN MONTENEGRO PROGRESSING -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 27 Dec 50

The Enterprise for the Draining of Lake Skadar is in charge of all reclamation projects in Montenegro. The draining of Lake Skadar began in August 1949. This year the enterprise worked on draining Ulcinjsko Polje, Ljeskopolje, Bjelopavlicka Ravnina (Plain), and Sutorina, as well as on the dam along the Moraca River.

Also this year, much was accomplished on the dam along the Bojana River. The dam will protect 100 hectares of land from floods. Hundreds of hectares already have been planted with orchards. The "Jadran" State Farm was organized here a year ago. The rarm will produce cotton, rice, and tropical fruit. Ulcinjsko Polje already is protected from floods by a dam along the Bojana River. Work on the dam, which is to be 6 meters high, is continuing.

The first harvest on Lieskopolje was in 1949. The building of a canal net here is progressing. Thus far, 8,676 meters of the main canal and 16-kilometers of auxiliary canalo nave been built.

The five-year plan for Montenegro calls for reclamation of 46,000 hectares, which will increase the arable area by 50 percent. It will be possible to produce /yearly? over 5,000 carloads of wheat and corn and about 1,000 carloads of clover on reclaimed land. About 7,000 hectares will be planted with

831,000 HECTARES FORESTED IN MACEDONIA -- Skoplje, Nova Makedonija, 6 Jan 51

People's Deputy Dimce Zografski recently stated that 831,000 hectares of land are covered with forests in Macedonie, but that only 200,000 hectares of these forests are devastated forests, 120,000 hectares are scrub, and 300,000 hectares are now barren, although they were previously covered with forests. Between 1947 and 1950, 14,444 hectares of land were forested in Macedonia.

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MORE FISH THAN LAST YEAR -- Zagreb, Vjesnik, 14 Jan 51

Rijeka, 13 January -- In 1950 fishermen of Rijeka Oblast caught 560 carloads of fish, or 105 carloads more than in 1949.

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